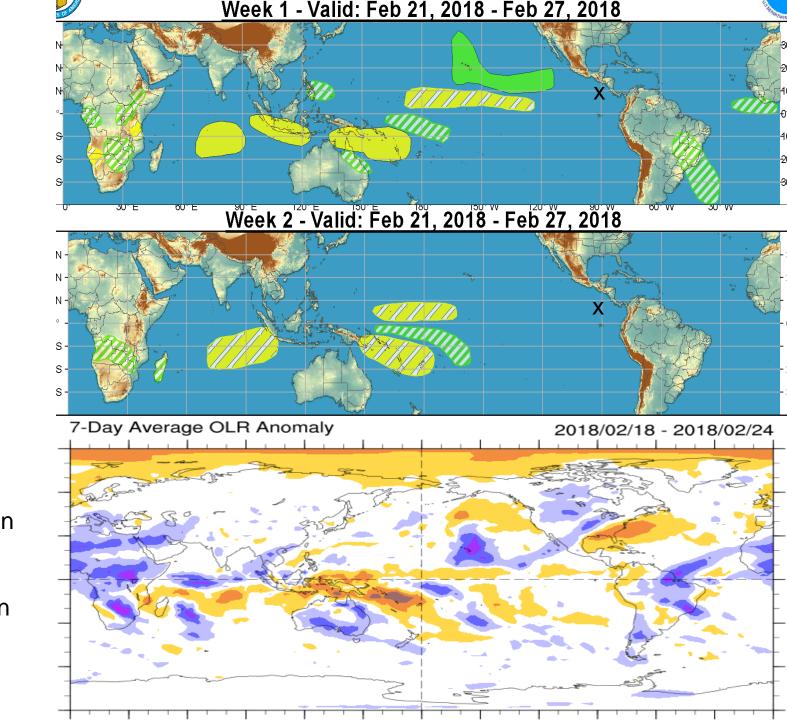
# Global Tropics Hazards And Benefits Outlook 02/27/2018

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### <u>Outline</u>

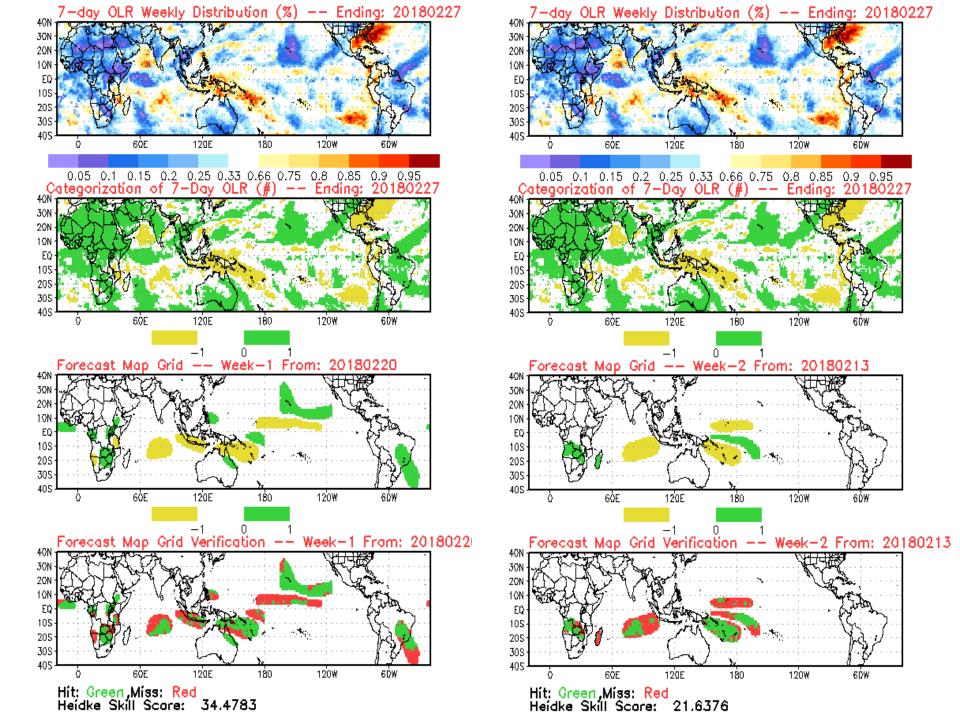
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# Outlook Review



Cool shading More clouds/rain

Warm shading Less clouds/rain



# Synopsis of Climate Modes

#### **ENSO**:

- ENSO Alert System Status: <u>La Niña Advisory</u>
- February 8<sup>th</sup> Update: A transition from La Niña to ENSO-neutral is most likely during the Northern Hemisphere spring (~55% chance of ENSO-neutral during the March-May season).

#### **MJO** and other subseasonal tropical variability:

- The MJO has begun to re-emerge over eastern Africa.
- Dynamical and statistical models continue to propagate the MJO slowly eastward across the Indian Ocean.

#### **Extratropics**:

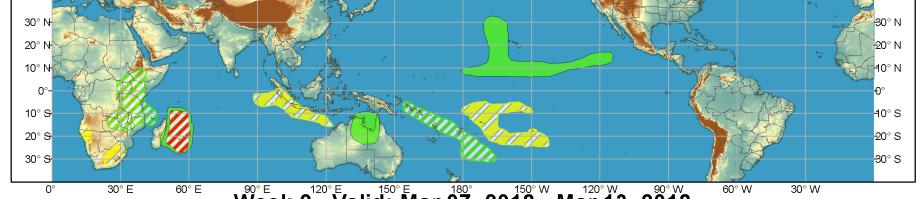
• Both the NAO and AO are negative and dynamical models forecast these teleconnections to stay negative through the Week-2 period.



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Week 2 - Valid: Mar 07, 2018 - Mar 13, 2018



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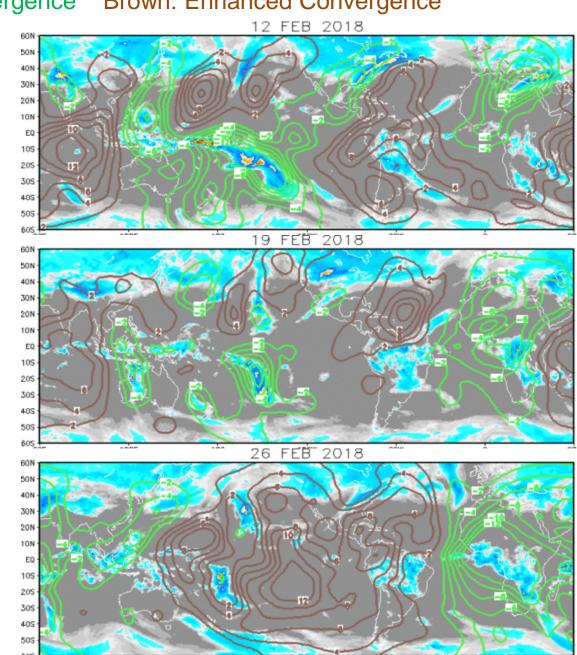
#### IR Satellite & 200-hpa Velocity Potential Anomalies

Green: Enhanced Divergence Brown: Enhanced Convergence

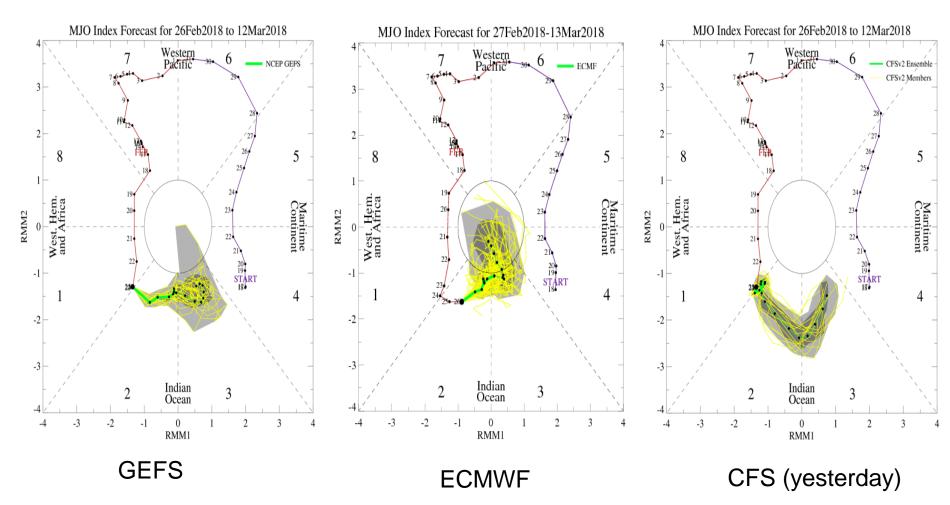
Suppressed convection over South America and Indian Ocean. Enhanced convection over much of Maritime Continent and SPCZ area.

Weakening MJO causes largescale circulation to weaken as it becomes dominated by other tropical and extra-tropical features.

Wave-1 pattern dominates as the MJO re-emerges over Africa.



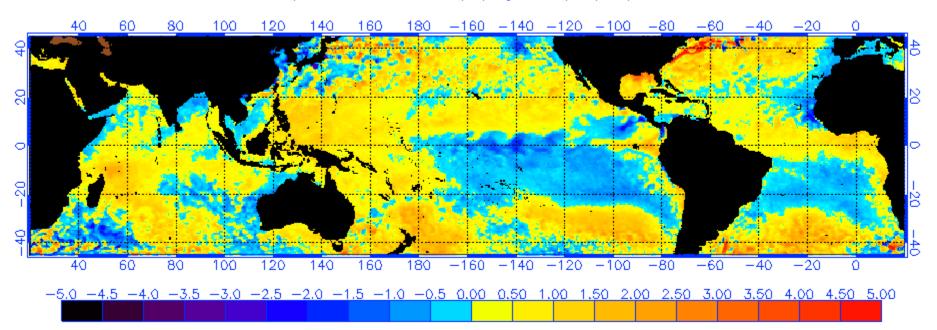
### MJO Observation/Forecast

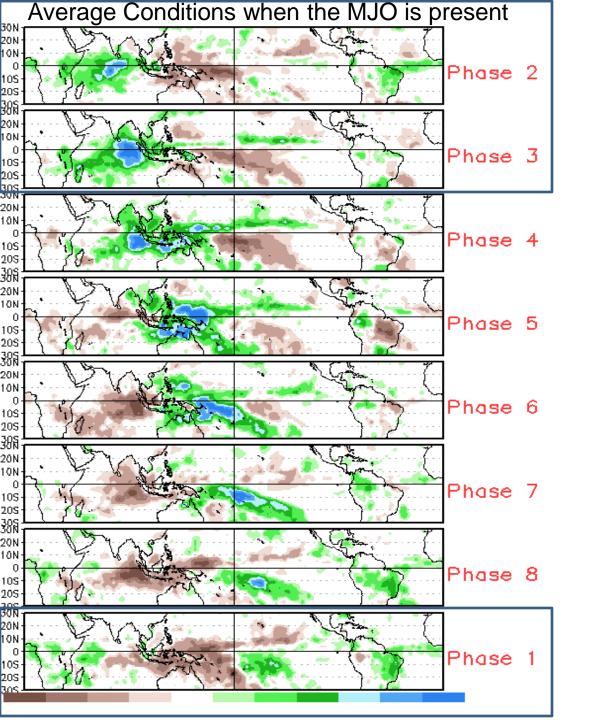


Wheeler-Hendon based analyses of model forecasts indicate propagation to the east. Divergence in how the models handle interaction with westward moving modes.

## **SST Anomalies**

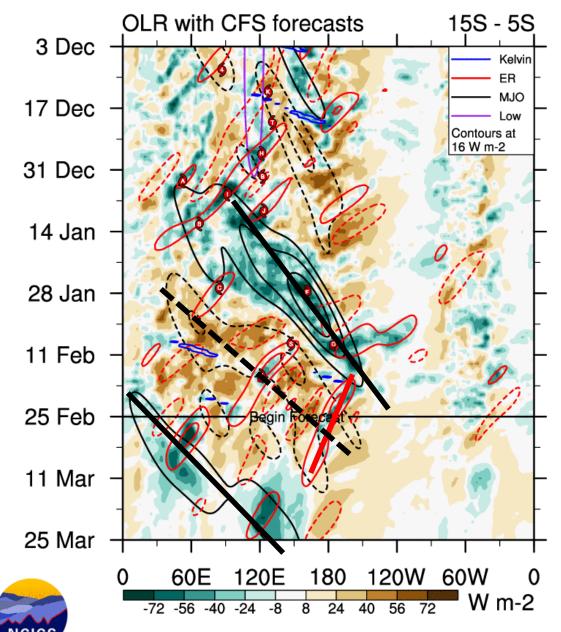
NOAA/NESDIS SST Anomaly (degrees C), 2/26/2018





Week-1: Phase 1/2 Week-2: Phase 2/3, weakening

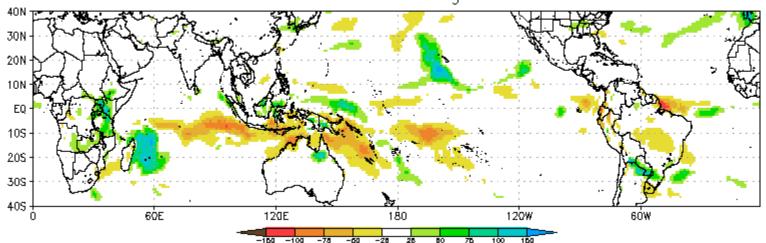
CAVEAT: These panels are representative of robust MJO events.



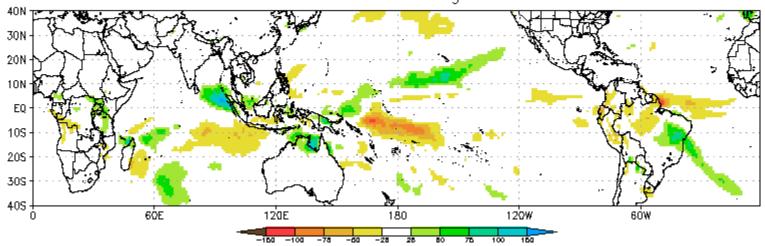
The MJO enhances convection over Africa and Indian ocean as it propagates eastward over the next two weeks and constructively interferes with equatorial Rossby (ER) waves.

The CFS is forecasting the **MJO** to propagate over the Maritime Continent during Week-2.

#### CFS Precipitation Anomalies (mm) Issued 26Feb2018 Week-1 Forecast Ending 06Mar2018



CFS Precipitation Anomalies (mm) Issued 26Feb2018 Week-2 Forecast Ending 13Mar2018



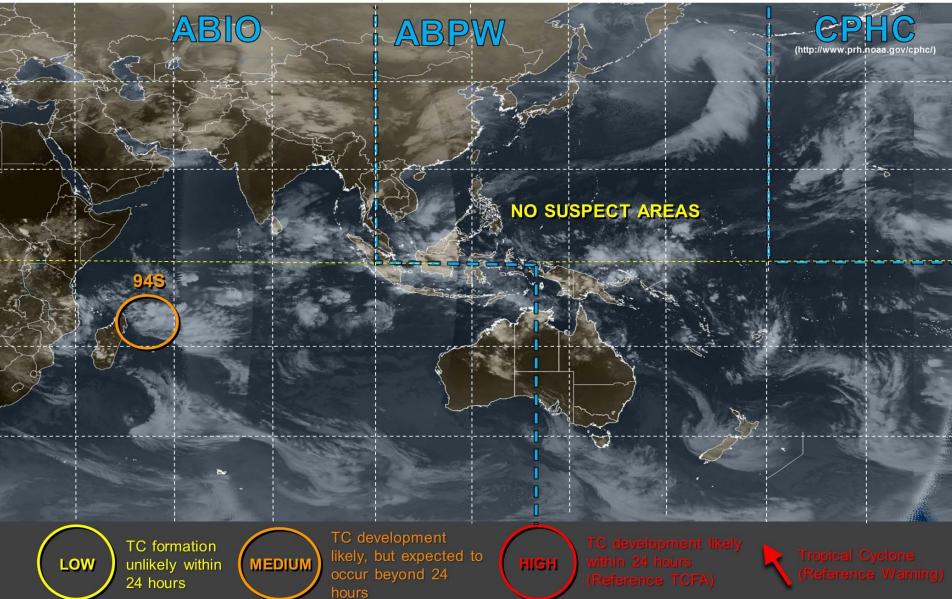


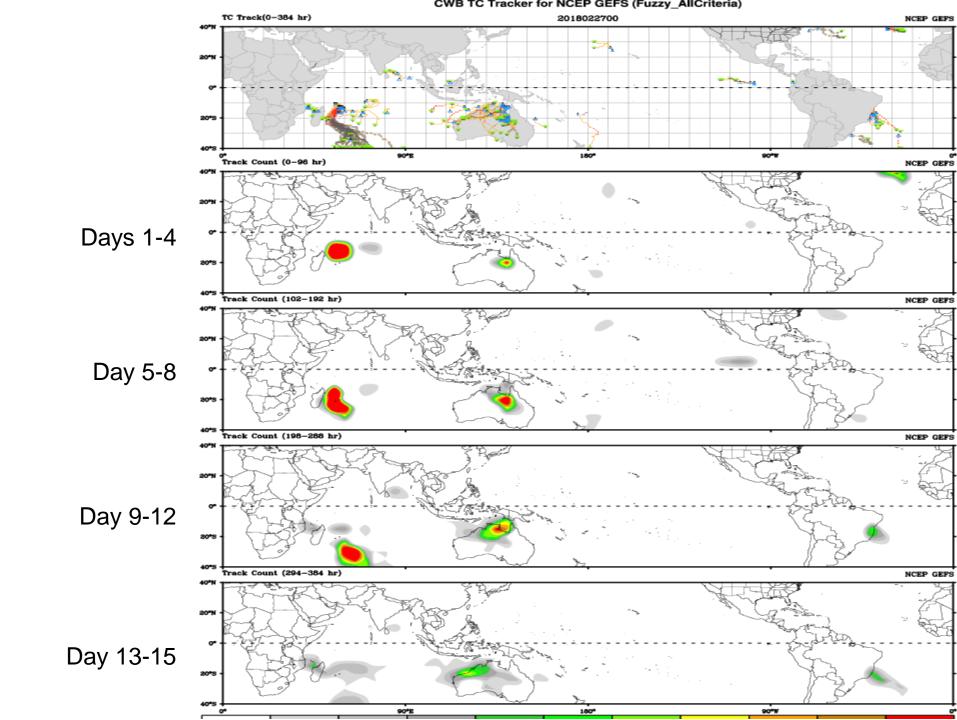
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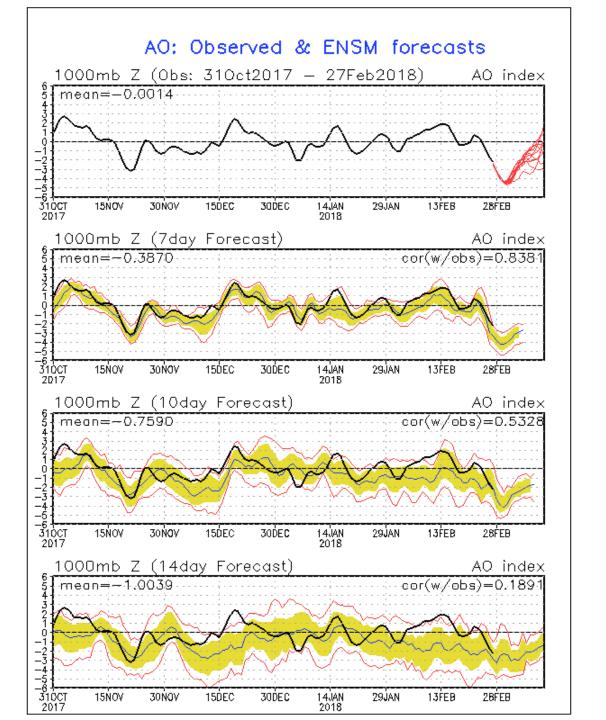


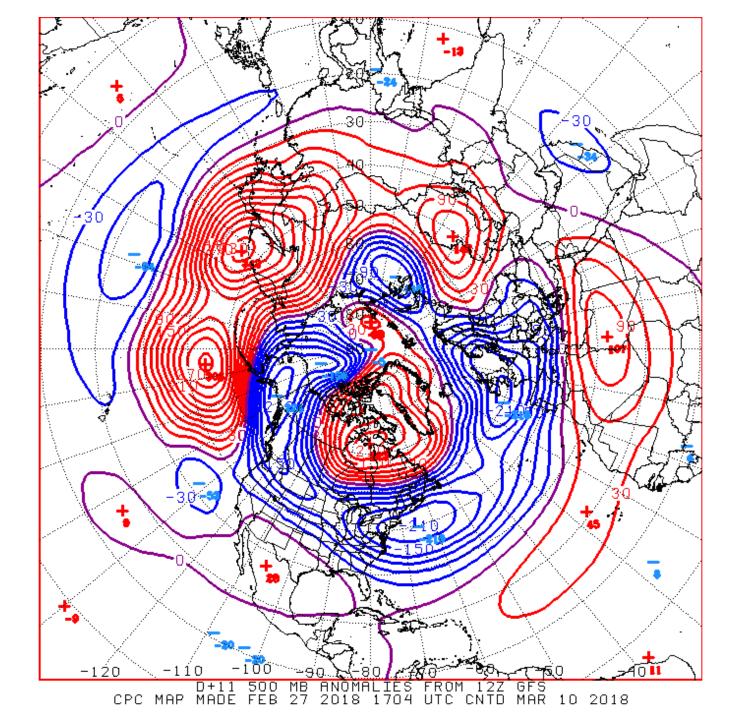
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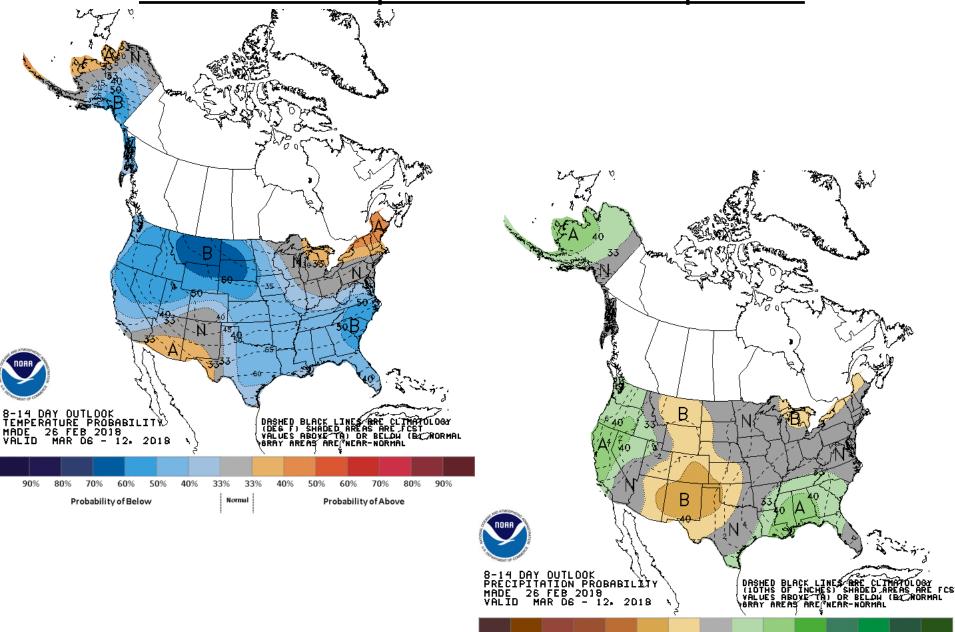


# Connections to U.S. Impacts





Week 2 - Temperature and Precipitation



70%

Probability of Below

33%

Normal

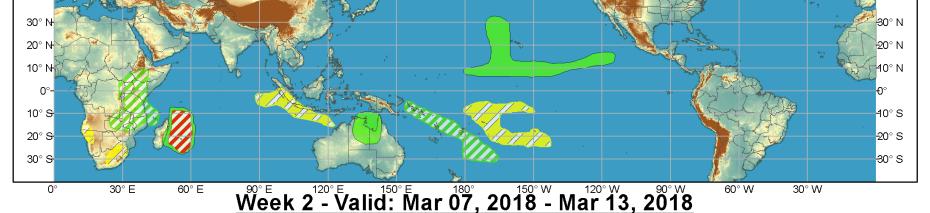
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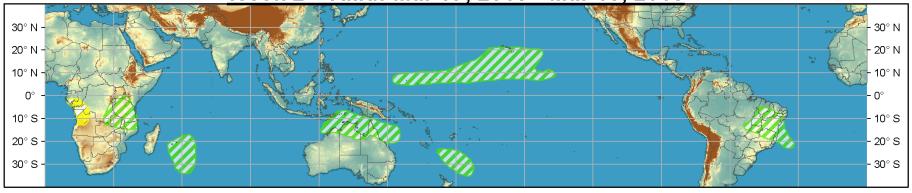


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